IATA Shipper's Declaration for Dangerous Goods Sequence of Information & Format

Sequence of Information

With effect 31 December 2004, the current sequence of information on the Shipper's Declaration will no longer be valid. From 1 January 2005 only two sequences will be permitted. These are:

- Proper shipping name, Class or Division number followed by any assigned subsidiary hazard Class or Division number, which must be in parentheses, UN number or ID number preceded by the prefix "UN" or "ID" as appropriate, applicable packing group e.g. Acetyl chloride, 3 (8), UN 1717, II
- UN number or ID number preceded by the prefix "UN" or "ID" as appropriate, proper shipping name, Class or Division number followed by any assigned subsidiary hazard Class or Division number, which must be in parentheses, applicable packing group e.g. UN 1717, Acetyl chloride, 3 (8), II

The preferred sequence from 1 January 2005 will be that starting with the UN number as the long-term objective is to only permit a single sequence of information on the Shipper's Declaration. It is likely that this single sequence will become effective 1 January 2007.

Format of the Shipper's Declaration

Due to the amendment of the permitted sequence of information, as well as a requirement for an additional certification statement on the Shipper's Declaration, there is a need to revise the format of the current IATA Shipper's Declaration for Dangerous Goods form.

Example of the revised forms which will be effective from 1 January 2005 can be found on our website in the "Downloadables" section.

However, in recognition that many organisations may have stocks of the current format Shipper's Declaration, the current forms may continue to be used provided that:

- a) when using a manual completion form, and where a subsidiary risk entry is required it must be placed in parenthesis following or below the class number or division number as appropriate
- b) the additional certification statement concerning air transport requirements "I declare that all of the applicable air transport requirements have been met." must be included on the form. This may be placed in the "Additional Handling Information" box of the declaration or following the existing certification statement.